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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6896

BILL NUMBER: HB 1357

DATE PREPARED: Jan 7, 1999

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Community health center funding.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: ☒ **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

STATE IMPACT	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
State Revenues			
State Expenditures		17,200,000	
Net Increase (Decrease)		(17,200,000)	

Summary of Legislation: This bill appropriates \$12,200,000 to the State Department of Health for state fiscal years 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 for use in planning, establishing, and expanding community health centers that provide comprehensive primary health care services to individuals of all ages. The bill requires an existing community health center or an entity that wants to become a community health center to apply to the State Department of Health to receive part of the appropriation. It provides specific requirements the community health center or the entity must meet to qualify for part of the appropriation. The bill requires the State Department of Health to review the requirements of current state health programs to identify opportunities where program funds could be pooled to leverage comprehensive health care services to the working poor. It appropriates an additional \$5,000,000 to the State Department of Health for state fiscal years 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 for renovating or constructing community health care facilities.

Effective Date: July 1, 1999.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill appropriates \$12.2 million to the State Department of Health (SDOH) for the next biennium for planning, establishing, and expanding community health centers. The SDOH received \$10 million appropriation for the current biennium. The bill also appropriates \$5 million for the next biennium for renovation of existing community health centers or construction of new community health centers. The above table assumes the total appropriation in FY 00. Allocation of the funds can occur

during the period July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2001.

The bill creates a number of requirements that a community health center must meet to qualify for funding. This bill also changes the grant application criteria. The SDOH already has a grant application process for funding community health centers. There may a small fiscal impact to the SDOH in developing new grant application forms, but these costs can be absorbed in the existing budget.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: State Department of Health.

Local Agencies Affected: Community Health Centers.

Information Sources: